State of California Fish and Game Commission

Amend Sections 27.60 and 28.59
Title 14, California Code of Regulations
Re: Surfperch Bag Limit

Regulatory Language

(Changes are in **Bold**)

Section 27.60, Subsections (b)(2) and (c)(1), Title 14, CCR, are amended to read:

§27.60. Limit.

- (b) Within the overall bag limit of 20 fish with not more than 10 of any one species, the following special limits apply:
- (2) For species other than federal groundfish (as defined in Section 1.91) and species associated with federal groundfish (limited to greenlings of the genus *Hexagrammos*, California sheephead, and ocean whitefish), within the overall bag limit of 20 fish, the following special limits apply:

Zero fish (Prohibited)	One fish	Two fish	Three Fish	Five Fish
giant (black) sea bass (except as provided in Section 28.10)	white sturgeon (see Section 27.90)	salmon (except as provided in Section 27.80)	trout taken from ocean and bays (see Section 27.70)	In San Francisco and San Pablo bays only, the surfperch daily bag limit is five fish in the aggregate. See Section 28.59 and subsection 27.60(c) for other surfperch bag limits.
Garibaldi (see Section 28.05)	Pacific halibut (see Section 28.20)	striped bass (see Section 27.85)	white seabass (except as provided in Section 28.35)	California halibut (except as provided in Section 28.15)
gulf grouper (see Section 28.12)	marlin (see Section 28.50)	broadbill swordfish (see Section 28.40)		
broomtail grouper (see Section 28.12)	sevengill shark	blue shark		
white shark (see Section 28.06)	sixgill shark	thresher shark		
green sturgeon (see Section 27.92)	shortfin mako shark			

- (c) Special daily bag limits for shiner surfperch.
- (1) The special limit for shiner surfperch is 20, which may be taken or possessed in addition to the overall daily bag limit of 20 finfish defined in subsection 27.60(a) and the special limits defined in subsection 27.60(b).

Section 28.59, Title 14, CCR, is amended to read:

§28.59. Surfperch.

- (a) For purposes of this Section, the term "surfperch" refers to all species of the family Embiotocidae, in any combination.
- (b) Open season: Open all year, except surfperch may not be taken or possessed by a person in San Francisco Bay and San Pablo Bay between April 1 and July 31, inclusive. Shiner surfperch (*Cymatogaster aggregata*) are exempt from this seasonal closure and may be taken and possessed up to their daily bag limit in these areas during the closure period.
- (c) Daily bag limits.
- (1) In San Francisco Bay and San Pablo Bay, the aggregate limit is five surfperch, not including shiner surfperch. For all other areas, the aggregate limit is 20 surfperch, not including shiner surfperch. Not more than 10 surfperch may be of any one species.
- (2) The special limit for shiner surfperch is 20, which may be taken or possessed in addition to the overall daily bag limit of 20 finfish defined in subsection 27.60(a) and the special limits defined in subsection 27.60(b).
- **(d)** Minimum size: redtail surfperch, ten and one-half inches total length. All other surfperch, none.

NOTE:

Authority cited: Sections 200, 202, 205, 215 and 220, Fish and Game Code. Reference: Sections 200, 202, 205, 206, 215 and 220, Fish and Game Code.